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## Prevention of War Gas Poisoning Is Topic of Meeting

At a compulsory War Services committee meeting held in Palmer auditorium Monday evening, April 5, movies were shown to demonstrate the individual as well as public precautions to be taken, if poisonous gases should be present in an air raid.

The enemy uses two methods of distributing poison gas. It can be dropped in the form of gas bombs from air planes or sprayed from the exhaust of air planes. Emphasis was placed on the fact that treatment here is self aid as opposed to first aid which applies to helping others.

There are several elementary precautions which, if followed carefully, will serve to avert danger in almost every case. The gas is heavier than air and therefore settles near the ground. For this reason people should go inside a building immediately (if not already there) and go upstairs. The first ten minutes after having been exposed to poison gas are the most important in preventing ill effects. Before going upstairs, windows should be shut, ventilators shut off, and fire place dampers closed. Then go upstairs and remain there until notified by the warden.

Clothes should be removed and left outside. Any liquid gas on the skin should be blotted dry and all areas which were possibly exposed to the gas should be washed thoroughly in bleaching solution. A 2% baking soda solution should be used for washing the eyes and ear, nose and throat

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## Volunteer Service To Begin at Day Nursery School

Volunteer service at the day nursery began on Monday, April 5, and will continue for seven weeks, through May 22. Each aide will do two hours of volunteer service a week. There are two groups of Aides assigned Saturday service in blocks of four hours. The groups will be alternated, one group serving the first and third Saturdays of the month, the other the second and fourth Saturdays.

The enrollment at the nursery school has increased to thirty-five children as compared with twenty children attending two months ago. A new room for the older children has been opened and fresh paint, paper and new equipment are all a part of the reorganization of the day nursery to meet the increased demand for the care of the young children of working mothers.

Opportunities for volunteer work includes helping with the dinner meal, the nap period, and outdoor and indoor play. Volunteers have been urged to meet the scheduled hours faithfully, as only consistent and dependable service will be of any value to the day nursery.

## Blood Donor Group Meeting Scheduled

There will be a meeting of all Red Cross Blood Donor volunteers at 5:10 p.m. on Monday, April 12, in 106 Bill hall.

## Povla Frijsh Is Acclaimed By Critics

by Virginia Bowman '45

Povla Frijsh! She is an artist of hypnotic allure for those who have seen and heard her. There is something about Madame Frijsh that even enthusiastic news commentators have failed to describe. Her fascination is elusive, indescribable. A particularly good review, however, from the New Republic says:

"To hear her sing is to be filled with the breath of all art as wind fills a tree, or as light reveals the wings of a design."

She is like a high priestess holding sway over her audience. It is, as Olin Downes of the New York Times says, her "high intelligence, musicianship, and sensibility in interpretation" that draws such universal response from her audience. Each melody which she sings carries an interpretation which is entirely her own, completely different from that of anyone else. Even those songs which she sings in foreign languages are understandable to the audience. She rounds each word and presents it in such a manner that they cannot fail to understand.

### An Unforgettable Performer

Danish-born, Parisian-schooled, Povla Frijsh embarked upon her vocal career in a momentous recital in Paris with Alfred Cortot. Her personality, regal bearing, and graceful movement immediately won the Parisian audience to her. A Frijsh performance is unforgettable. It remains with the listener always. The artists themselves are the nucleus of her devoted following and return again and again to hear her. To those who know her, Madame Frijsh is as unique a phenomenon as the New York Philharmonic.

### Supervises Lighting Effects

Every detail at a Frijsh concert is completely satisfying, the lights, the gestures, even the dresses which Madame Frijsh chooses so carefully herself. It is interesting to note that she always uses lights and often arrives early to supervise personally the lighting of the stage. She has the concern for detail which is found in the most expert actress, and personal magnetism which is vividly projected over the footlights.

### Proceeds to Buy Ambulance

The concert is jointly sponsored by the French and music departments. Tickets will be on sale at the box office the night of the concert, and they may be obtained now in the dormitories or through Miss Ernst or Mr. Quimby. The proceeds will be added to the \$1123 already in hand for the purchase of a \$1600 ambulance for the fighting French in North Africa.

## Service League to Give Informal Dance Apr. 10

Service League will sponsor an all-college informal dance Saturday, April 10 in Knowlton Salon from 8 to 12. Music will be furnished by a nickelodeon. Admission will be 27 cents per couple or stag. President Blunt, Dean Burdick, Mr. and Mrs. Chakarian have been invited to be chaperons.

## Benefit Singer



POVLA FRIJSH

## Second Military Drill Review to Be Held Friday

The second military drill review of the year will be held on the hockey field April 9, at 4:30 p.m.

Captain O'Connor of the United States Coast Guard, President Blunt, and Miss Ruth Stanwood have been invited to review the battalion. Music will be provided by the Coast Guard band.

The officers of the military drill group are as follows: battalion commander, Helen Rippey '44; adjutant, Elizabeth Middleton '43; company commanders, Lucetia Lincoln '44 and Janet Cruikshank '46; platoon leaders, Marjorie Lawrence '45, Suzanne Bates '46, Jerry Prosser '45, Anne Hester '45, and Almeda Fager '44.

Mary Surgenor '43 of the A.A. board organized and planned the review.

## 70 Volunteers Needed For Blood Donations

The Red Cross Blood Bank reports that it cannot come to Connecticut college this time unless two hundred people volunteer to donate. W. S. C. (War Services committee) has received the names of 130 people who wish to donate. Will 70 more sign on the War Services bulletin board on the first floor of Fanning by noon Saturday, April 10? Releases and permissions for the donation may be obtained after signing up.

## English Prizes Offered For Best Original Poem And Ability in Speech

The English department announces two more prizes which are open to competition among the student body. The first is the Maud Ewin Moss Memorial Prize for the best original poem submitted to Miss Bethurum before May 1. Competitors for this prize may submit the same material for the Irene Glascock Memorial contest at Mt. Holyoke on April 15.

The other contest which is open to all students is the Sarah Ensign Cady Memorial Prize given for excellence in English speech. This includes oral speech and reading.

## Botanists Are Busy Planning Many Exhibits

by Louisa Angus '46

The botanical laboratories on the second floor in New London Hall are soon to take on a different and interesting appearance. On Saturday and Sunday, April 17 and 18, the eleventh annual Flower Show will be conducted by the botany students. Preparations have been going on for some time, but actual changes are really to start this week. In one of the botanical laboratories, a miniature landscape project of Bill Hall is being set up. This project is being carried on by the plant materials group headed by Ruth Howe '44.

### Previews To Be Shown

Previews of spring, conducted by the plant materials group, will include an exhibition of the flowers and shrubs soon to be in bloom here on campus. Along with this feature, through courtesy of the Art department, there will be pictures of flower prints done by students here. The flowers were drawn from plants in the greenhouse and the gardens.

### Plant Life of Battle Fronts

Patriotism is a key note these days, and the elementary botany group, headed by Sue Long '46, has adopted this for its main theme. Their exhibit is to include scenes showing the plant life in two of our battle fronts. They also plan to work out in flowers the insignia of each branch of the armed forces.

Down in the greenhouse more displays will be found. The horticultural students have been busy during the winter nurturing annuals and bulb plants that will be in bloom in time for the show. There will also be the freshman gardens with vegetables and flowers of various kinds.

### Victory Garden Suggestions

One wing of the greenhouse is to be devoted to hints for the victory gardener, i.e. "horticultural tidbits" and chemurgic uses for plants. In with the "horticultural tidbits" will be shown results from experiments conducted by the horticultural students during the winter on fertilizers and nutrients.

There will also be exhibits by Fisher and Fellman and Clark, New London florists.

Chairman of flower show is Sally Kelly '43. She is being assisted by Ruth Howe, Sue Long, Mary Surgenor '43, Dorothy Raymond '44, and Eleanor Strohm '45 as heads of committees.

## News Positions Open; Try-Outs to be Mon.

The News announces try-outs for positions on the editorial and advertising staffs which will take place Monday night, April 12, in the News office in Plant basement. The following positions will be open: 10 reporters, 4 typists, 3-5 copy readers, 5 members for the advertising staff, and 3 photographers. Any girls who are interested in trying out for these positions should come to the News office between 7 p.m. and 11 p.m. Monday.

## New Requirement In U. S. History Is Announced

### Pres. Blunt Says the Incoming Frosh to Take History Exam

President Blunt, speaking to the student body in chapel Tuesday, April 6, announced the addition of American history to the curriculum. Referring to a New York Times article on the astonishingly poor results of an American history test given to 7,000 freshmen in 36 universities, the president expressed the belief that Connecticut college freshmen would average a higher score than did the students who took the test.

"However," the president said, "Our action on this matter antedates the pressure which comes from the New York Times."

Miss Blunt pointed out that, after months of consideration, the faculty passed a rule at the March meeting providing for an American history test to be given to all incoming freshmen next fall. Students who fail to pass the examination satisfactorily will be required to take a course in American history.

The danger of this plan, the president pointed out, is that students may not want to take a required course unless they are compelled to do so.

"We are not eager to increase the requirements," Miss Blunt said. However, she added that the forth-coming catalog includes three excellent courses in American history which many students will desire to take, above and beyond requirements. The president emphasized the fact that students should have a desire to study and to know the history of our country.

## Eleven Sophomores On Auerbach Squad

Mrs. Chase Going Woodhouse, advisor for the retailing majors, has announced the selection of the following sophomores for the "Auerbach squad": Jean Evans, Helen Farrell, Lucille Klau, Joan Magnus, Elaine Parsons, Virginia Pierson, Nancy Walker, Sally Weckler, Patricia Wells, Elizabeth Woodruff, and Bernice Riesner.

Earlier in the year some of the girls went to Hartford, where they were interviewed by Mrs. Auerbach and Mrs. Fosbrink (head of the store's training department) and shown through G. Fox and Company. The sophomore group will undertake their first month at Fox's during the latter part of the summer, while the juniors will complete their work during June and part of July.

## Mr. Logan Will Lecture At Ornithology Meeting

The Ornithology club will hold a meeting on April 13 at 7:30 in 113 New London hall. The main feature of the program will be a lecture on bird migration presented by Mr. Robert F. Logan of the Connecticut college art department. Recordings of various bird songs will be played and there will also be a showing of colored slides depicting different aspects of bird life.



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## Victory Garden a College Project?

Now that the nation has become so acutely conscious of the increasing food shortage, there has been some slight discussion on campus as to whether or not it would be a good idea for Connecticut college students to grow a Victory garden for the college. The News staff feels that the idea is of sufficient importance to merit consideration.

That food will be even harder to secure next winter than it is this year is forcibly emphasized by Secretary of Agriculture Wickard and Food Administrator Chester Davis. The college students who are interested in working on a college victory garden think that if they could raise even a moderate amount of food it would be a definite contribution to the war effort. The demand upon local food distributors would be lessened by just the amount that the college could raise.

The suggestion for a college victory garden has many aspects which must be carefully considered. The first question that arises is: Who would cultivate the gardens?

If gardening were offered as a spring course through the physical education department, the college girls could take care of the cultivation, while at the same time they would learn a valuable skill. There is, of course, the problem of cultivation during the summer months. Would the girls who come here to school during the summer be interested and willing to keep up the project begun by the regular students?

There is space on the college campus for a victory garden. Near Vinal cottage there is a fair sized area which has, in the past, been rented to a farmer for cultivation. Last year he rented the land but did not cultivate it. The location is a good one for a garden. It could easily be irrigated by pipes laid on the ground.

Other questions which must be considered are these:

Who would direct the enterprise? Would the botany majors be sufficiently interested to assimilate information furnished by government authorities and to direct student efforts?

After the produce was gathered, would it be stored, and if so where? Or would it be canned, and if so, by whom? Could home economics students undertake this task? Could canning materials be obtained?

The idea is not a new one. Victory gardens are being planted this spring all over the country. Mount Holyoke college has started one to provide food for the coming winter. That college carried through a similar project during the last war with

## FREE SPEECH

The Editors of the "News" do not hold themselves responsible for the opinions expressed in this column. In order to insure the validity of this column as an organ for the expression of honest opinions, the editor must know the names of contributors.

Dear Editor:

On December 3, 1942, approximately 120 girls were scheduled to donate a pint of blood to the Red Cross Blood Bank. Windham house was set aside as the sanctuary for volunteers. Fruit juice before and sandwiches or doughnuts and coffee afterwards were given the donors as sustenance, and to this writer's knowledge, there were few if any ill effects after the donations.

This time, the Red Cross Blood Bank informed the college, it will be impossible to come unless at least 200 people volunteer to donate blood. At least ten or twelve over the 200 mark are needed so that if a few are turned down on the day of the donation, there will still be enough.

About 70 more blood donor volunteers are needed to hit the 200 mark, and if not one single person who donated last time signed up to do so this time, there should still be an adequate number with a student body alone of over 700.

It would be a shame if those who have already signed were unable to donate because there were not enough volunteers. Would-be volunteers have until Saturday noon to sign up on the War Services bulletin board in Fanning.

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## Calendar . . .

Wednesday, April 7

Student Industrial Group

Commuters' Room

Press Board Meeting 6:45 Jane Addams

Music Club Meeting 7:30 Holmes Hall

Student-Faculty Forum 8:00 1937 House

Thursday, April 8

Choir Rehearsal 4:20 Chapel

Junior Class Meeting 6:45 Bill 106

Povla Frijs Recital 7:30 Auditorium

Friday, April 9

Military Drill Review 4:30 Hockey Field

Saturday, April 10

Service League Dance 8:00 Knowlton Salon

Sunday, April 11

Choir Rehearsal 4:30 Auditorium 202

Monday, April 12

Blood Donors Meeting 5:10 Bill 106

Oratorio Rehearsal 7:30 Bill 106

Tuesday, April 13

Installation of Student Government Officers 10:00 Chapel

Choir Rehearsal 4:30 Auditorium Stage

Ornithology Club Meeting 7:30 New London 113

Wednesday, April 14

Original Composition Recital 8:00 Auditorium

successful results. Bennington college has also started a Victory garden.

The topic is worthy of careful consideration. Think about it, talk about it, investigate its possibilities, and then express your opinions upon the subject. Whether or not a Victory garden will become a college enterprise depends upon whether the college as a whole desires it, and whether it is practicable.

## Valiant Russians Need Clothes

Students claim that at last "the world has come to college." They say that they have sincerely felt the effects of the war and have tried to direct their lives in such a way as to be more helpful citizens. Demands for all sorts of war activities have been made upon them, and they have responded well to many of these. Once again their sincerity has been challenged. Edward C. Carter, president of the Russian War Relief, has made a plea for warm clothing for a people who are fighting one of the most difficult and decisive battles of the present war, a battle for actual survival against the Nazi aggressors. In response to this plea, the college has placed boxes for contributions in the halls of the dormitories.

Everyone has heard a great deal about the cold Russian winters which are very important because they are one of Russia's most powerful weapons against the invader. But they will continue to be an asset only as long as the Russian people have adequate clothing to protect themselves. They have shown their indomitable spirit in times of greatest peril. Russian women, who are participating in the actual fighting and nobly carrying on under an extraordinary burden, have the admiration of the whole world. We, as women of a country which is fighting a common enemy, should feel a strong bond of sympathy between these valiant people and ourselves. Their sacrifices are so great that the one they are asking of us seems small indeed. The best way that we can show our interest and concern in their fight, which is our fight too, is by contributing as much as we possibly can to the Russian War Relief.

## CONNECTICUT-UPS

Sally Ford '44



Spring again!

## O. M. I. (Office of More Information)

Stick to the Eastern Air Lines,  
President Rickenbacker!

by Hedi Seligsohn '45

We are always glad to see private citizens take an active part in government affairs and help the war effort with their advice and valuable experience, provided these citizens are broadminded and intelligent people. But nobody wants to see a man make a spectacle of himself by dragging his personal prejudices and ill-feelings into the Congress of the United States, the legislature of the State of New York, and other places where more important tasks should be attended to right now. We regret to observe Mr. Rickenbacker doing just that very thing. Ever since he returned from his remarkable journey on the raft, Mr. Rickenbacker has focused the spotlight of public attention on the lack of morale among war workers and on the wickedness of union officials who, Mr. Rickenbacker says, are responsible for absenteeism.

Absenteeism in war factories is a great problem in all countries in which the workers are not threatened with machine guns by an invading enemy or by their own army. The problem of absenteeism does not arise in Russian or German factories, but it does arise here and did arise in England to quite an extent about a year ago. In order to do away with this threat to our production, we must look into the causes of absenteeism, rather than condemn the workers who fail to show up on the assembly line. The War Manpower commission, the American Management association, and The Monthly Labor Review have looked into the matter in American factories and have studied the remedies that were applied by Great Britain very successfully. Here are some of their findings:

Some companies keep good records of absences; others keep inadequate ones or none at all. Obviously, keeping accurate records is the first step toward curbing absences.

A distinction has to be drawn between legitimate and illegitimate reasons for absence. Naturally sickness, accidents, etc. need one kind of remedy, and willful absence another kind.

Women are absent twice as often as men. Absenteeism is higher among older workers. Evening and night shifts have more absentees than day shifts.

The findings of American in-

## MOVIE MINUTES

by Marjorie Alexander '44

The unforgettable stars of one of the best comedies of 1942, *Woman of the Year*, have teamed together again to make an entirely different type of picture, but one equally entertaining. *The Keeper of the Flame*. This film marks Katherine Hepburn's first appearance on the screen since the success of *Woman of the Year*, and from all accounts, this, her latest effort, will prove to be as great a box office attraction as the former.

*Keeper of the Flame* combines good mystery, action and suspense. The plot concerns the efforts of a famous news correspondent (Spencer Tracy) to uncover the unknown facts of a dead hero's life in an attempt to write the biography of this famous man. Tracy enlists the aid of the hero's widow (Katherine Hepburn) to gain the authentic information which he desires to make his story complete. The details which the reporter eventually discovers about the dead man are indeed a rather unexpected surprise to the audience and the events leading up to their discovery are so full of suspense and mystery that one cannot help being absorbed in the action of the film throughout its entire showing.

Mr. Tracy and Miss Hepburn are excellent in the leading roles, but the supporting cast, which includes several newcomers to the screen, helps in great measure to make the movie so successful. To the well known director, George Cukor, go honors for guiding the fortunes of the picture so commendably.

This film has already had a long run in New York and it well deserves the praise given it by the movie critics. For good entertainment and a really thrilling mystery story, don't miss *Keeper of the Flame*!

Industrial experts parallel England's experience. Instead of wild weekends, the principal causes of absences from war factories in England were a long work-week, poor working and living conditions, inadequate medical facilities, malnutrition and sickness. The same holds true for this country. Management can do much to reduce absences, and again we can follow the English example. Management can build good plant morale, chiefly by better production planning and better supervision. Augmented health programs and recreation

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## Miss Alter Is To Give Concert Of Own Compositions

Miss Martha Alter, assistant professor of music at Connecticut college, will present a concert of her own compositions on Wednesday evening, April 14, in Palmer Auditorium. Miss Alter will be assisted by Mr. John Peirce, baritone, professor of music at Vassar college, Miss Eleanor Southworth and Dr. Arthur W. Quimby of the Connecticut college music department. In the performance of Blackout, a dramatic chamber work, Miss Alter will be assisted by James Crawford and Alden Gleason, trumpets, and Thomas Prescott, jazz-percussion.

### Blackout is Dramatic Story

Professor John Peirce has frequently performed Miss Alter's compositions, having sung the first performance of Blackout at Vassar college on Armistice Day, 1941. The text for Blackout, a pre-Pearl Harbor composition, was written for Miss Alter by the American poet, Edward N. Horn, and the song has been composed for baritone, two trumpets, jazz-percussion, and piano. The voice of the song "represents the spirit of an air-raid warning siren over a beleaguered city," singing in turn of ominous fear, of war-like defiance, and finally of the post-war world that knows only the "gaunt ghost voice" of the siren which returns to haunt the new world.

Also included on the program is a setting of Vachel Lindsay's Simon Legree: A Negro Sermon, for baritone and two pianos. Many of Miss Alter's compositions have shown a preference for American subjects with a rhythmic vitality and American flavor characteristic of her music.

## Hedi Seligsohn Elected New President of IRC

The election of new officers for the International Relations club was held at a recent IRC meeting. Those who were chosen were Hedi Seligsohn '45, president; Dorothy Raymond '44, vice president; and Georgann Hawkes '44, chairman of publicity. IRC will hold its next meeting on April 21 when the topic for discussion will be India. This discussion is to be given in preparation for the next Convocation series which is scheduled for April 27 and 28.

## Seligsohn, Friedlander, C. C. Poets, To Burst Into Print

by Mary Willard Lewis '44

Two talented C. C. sophomores are about to burst into print. Hedi Seligsohn '45 and Letty Friedlander '45 are both to have poems of their own composition published in Songs in the Morning, an anthology of poetry by college and university students, which will appear this spring.

Both these girls entered a national poetry contest for college and university students in January, and of the many hundreds of poems submitted theirs were among the three hundred finally selected for publication. They first heard of their success in February and were, according to Letty, "very excited about it."

Hedi's poem is entitled "War." This does not seem surprising when we note that she is president of the International Relations club, that she has been writing the O.M.I. column in the News since the middle of the year, and that she majors in government. The poem was written in December, 1942, and Hedi

## Chips Chapman, New A. A. Head, Reveals Riding, Ceramics, Knitting as Hobbies

by Marjorie Lawrence '45

Though she laughingly calls herself "one of those progressive school wacks," Dorothy "Chips" Chapman, newly elected president of the Athletic Association, is a girl whom any school would be proud to claim as an alumna. Athletic, skillful, and scholarly, Chips excels in a variety of activities that mark this energetic girl as a versatile personality.

Of her athletic interests, Chips is probably the most enthusiastic about horseback riding. She and her two sisters, Jackie and Helen, spent the summer of '41 at the Z-U (pronounced Z bar U) ranch in Wyoming, where she struck a lasting friendship with a horse named Heather. One of the most beautiful of the numerous pictures of horses and dogs which adorn Chips' room is a portrait of Heather. She was taught to ride by the 121st cavalry regiment, which was located in Buffalo when Chips attended Park school. It was while she was a student there that she won numerous ribbons riding at the Saddle and Bridle club.

In addition to riding, Chips is good at basketball and hockey. She has been on the basketball and hockey teams at college and has managed both the hockey and the basketball squads of her class.

Chips is very skillful with her hands, as her work with ceramics



testifies. She does sculpturing, though most of it is in clay, and also does boat modeling. In her sculpturing, again, her love of animals is revealed, one of her best pieces of work being a miniature statue of Heather.

Still another tribute to Chips' skill with her hands is evident in the remarkable knitting record she possesses. That she is master of the art is speaking mildly. She knits while she studies, since she is able to do it without looking at the stitches. Last year she knitted fourteen sweaters and two pairs of socks for the Red Cross, in ad-

dition to five sweaters for members of her family. In the field of needlework, Chips also makes some of her own clothes.

During sophomore year Chips and Mary Crockett '44 shared "the suite" in Blackstone house. Their living room was the scene of many "riot hour" parties, at which Chips used to exhibit the approved Western style of pouring cider. Another Western skill that Chips picked up while living on the ranch was the ability to roll her own cigarettes, although she herself does not smoke!

Chips is qualified to render first aid, a trait which is especially valuable for anyone who is a leader of groups in strenuous athletic activities. She has taken both the standard and advanced Red Cross first aid courses. In addition she has earned the Red Cross certificate in nutrition.

It may be her love of travel which makes Chips want to do work with the airlines after her graduation. This desire was strengthened during the Christmas vacation of her sophomore year, when she flew with her family to Nassau for the holidays. During the Christmas vacation of freshman year, the whole family toured to New Orleans.

In spite of all her outside interests, Chips maintains a high scholastic average, having been on the honors list. A home economics major, (a good cook too!) Chips is accelerating and will graduate the middle of next year.

## Dr. Douglas Horton New York Minister To Speak Sunday

Dr. Douglas Horton, minister of the General Council of Congregational Churches, New York, will be the speaker at the vesper service Sunday, April 11, at 7 p.m. in Harkness chapel. A native of New York City, Dr. Horton was educated at Princeton university, New college, Edinburgh, Mansfield college, Oxford, the university of Tubingen and Hartford theological seminary. He holds honorary degrees from Lawrence college and Chicago theological seminary.

Ordained to the Congregational ministry in 1915, Dr. Horton served pastorates in Connecticut, Massachusetts and Illinois before he took his present post of denominational leadership. During the last world war, Dr. Horton served as a chaplain in the U.S. Navy. He is in constant demand as a speaker and preacher in the churches of many denominations and in schools, colleges, and universities. He has lectured extensively in theological seminaries including Andover-Newton and Chicago seminaries.

Dr. Horton is an author, editor and translator. Among his books are "Taking a City," "The Art of Living Today" and "Out Into Life." He is a member of the United States Editorial Board of the Congregational Quarterly, published in London. Dr. Horton is a trustee of Andover-Newton theological seminary and the American university at Cairo, Egypt.

## Facts Every C. C. Girl Should Know About the Servicemen

by Norma Pike '44

Time was when a man could be defined as "he who wears a suit, topcoat, hat, and gloves." The war has complicated things! A man is known by the color of his uniform and his particular rank. Time was also when a man was just "Mr. John Jones;" now, he can have a special title. It gets rather confusing to tell who's who. And the confusion becomes embarrassment when introductions and addressing envelopes are required. Now it is essential that we know the rank of men in the navy, army, and marines and are able to recognize their insignia. Only officers' ranks and insignia will be given here. The rank and insignia of non-commissioned officers and enlisted men are too numerous to be stated here. Perhaps the best way to learn them is by studying this information which is found in newspapers, magazines, and specially-prepared folders, as the supplement to March, 1943 Reader's Digest.

### Ranks of Officers

Equivalent ranks of officers of the navy (coast guard), army, and marine corps: admiral, general; vice-admiral, lieutenant general; rear admiral, major general, major general commandant; commodore, brigadier general, brigadier general; captain, colonel, colonel; commander, lieutenant colonel, lieutenant colonel; lieutenant commander, major, major; lieutenant, captain, captain; lieutenant (j.g.), first lieutenant, first lieutenant; ensign, second lieutenant, second lieutenant.

The rank of an officer is primarily indicated by the number and kind of stripes on his sleeves and by decoration on his shoulders. An admiral in the navy has one two-inch stripe with three half-inch stripes above it (gold shoulder mark with four silver stars). A vice-admiral has one two-inch stripe with two half-inch stripes above it (gold shoulder mark with three silver stars). A rear admiral has one two-inch stripe with one half-inch stripe

above it (gold shoulder mark with two silver stars). The rank and insignia of commodore have been discontinued except for existing appointments. A captain has four half-inch stripes. A commander has three half-inch stripes. A lieutenant commander has two half-inch stripes with one quarter-inch stripe above it. A lieutenant has two half-inch stripes. A lieutenant (j.g.) has one half-inch stripe with one quarter-inch stripe above it. An ensign has one half-inch stripe.

A general in the army has four stars, a lieutenant-general three stars, a major general two stars, and a brigadier general one star. A colonel has a silver eagle, a lieutenant-colonel a silver leaf. A major has a gold leaf. A captain has two silver bars, a first lieutenant one silver bar, and a second lieutenant one gold bar.

The marine corps is an integral part of the navy, but the rank is the same as that of the army.

In making introductions, always turn to the higher ranking man and present the lower ranking man to him. See, you've just got to know that scale of ranks! If a woman is present, she is always addressed first. And the wife of the higher ranking officer is the one to address. For example: "Mrs. Hewitt, this is Miss Bond." "Miss Bond, this is Admiral Hewitt. Admiral Hewitt, this is Miss Bond." If Ensign Jones is with Miss Bond, the following is correct: "Mrs. Hewitt, this is Ensign Jones. Ensign Jones, this is Mrs. Hewitt. Admiral Hewitt, this is Ensign Jones. Ensign Jones, this is Admiral Hewitt." It is correct to address men who are lieutenant-commanders (majors) or below as "Mister." But above the rank of lieutenant-commander (major), always use rank and surname. Chaplains are always addressed as "Chaplain."

For informal campus introductions, use rank and full name of the men. In conversation, rank usually is not used. The first

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### Ode to Infirmary Aides

Oh where, oh where has our little aide gone?  
Oh where, oh where can she be?  
The Infirmary is short  
Of aides for its throng  
We need more like the lost she.  
(signed) a mental patient  
P.S. Clip this want ad and apply at Infirmary for job.

## Jacobson Chairman Of Spring Pageant

Joan Jacobson has been named chairman of the Freshman Pageant which will take place on Saturday, May 15. She will be assisted by Beth Onderdonk, dramatic production chairman; Harriet Kuhn and Ellis Kitchell, music co-chairmen; and Shirley Wilson, Ellis Kitchell, Beth Onderdonk, Joan Crawford, Barbara Caplan, and Sally Van Horn, who are members of the executive committee. The members of the technical committee have not yet been announced.

### Old Stockings Sought For Collection Box

The cardboard box for irreparable silk and nylon stockings is still near the water cooler on the first floor of Fanning. Don't forget to put your worn out silk stockings in this box.

## Dorothy Royce Elected Head of Class of '45

Dorothy Royce was elected president of next year's junior class on Monday, April 5. The election was made with the votes being taken in the separate sophomore dorms. Dorothy was president of the class her freshman year, and this year has served on Honor Court as representative for '45.

## Fort Terry to be Next Stand of the Connteen

The Connteen Show will entertain the men stationed at Fort Terry, a Coast Artillery base on Plum Island. This will be the fourth appearance of the Connteen Show since its organization in February.

### Data is Requested of Student First Aiders

The physical education department keeps a record file of students who have completed First Aid courses. In order to keep this file up to date, questionnaires are being sent to the students for whom they have no card. The questionnaires ask for the data requested to be filled in. It is necessary to know which students have had these courses. These questionnaires must be filled out and returned to Mrs. Setterholm's office, 213 Fanning, promptly.

### Dimout Hours Are Now 8:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.

There is a change in dimout hours. Curtains must be drawn by 8:00 p.m. and remain drawn until 6:00 a.m.

Frances S. Brett  
College Air Raid Warden

seemed much pleased about its success.

Letty entered three poems: "Inspiration," "Failure and Success," and "Burning Passion." Having been notified merely that "some" of hers are to be printed, she does not yet know which were selected. The first of these, which as composed in November, 1942 while Letty was listening to some Tchaikowski records, is the only one she has ever written in rhyme. The two latter were written in October, 1941 and August, 1942 respectively, the second of the three being Letty's own favorite.

Although she has not decided on her major as yet, Letty is particularly interested in psychology, art, and English. Her spare time she manages to fill up with dancing in the Modern Dance Group and occasionally writing for Quarterly.

The anthology, which is being published by the Harbinger House in New York, will probably appear early in May, when the two C.C. poets make their bow to the literary world.



### Betty Mansfield Will Interview Volunteers

Miss Betty Mansfield, field secretary to the American Friends Service Committee, will be on campus Friday evening, April 9, to talk with students who are interested in working on volunteer service projects during the summer. The time and place of discussion will be posted on the bulletin board.

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### Dr. A. Shafer And Dr. Bower to Hear Ballistics Talks

Dr. Julia Bower, head of the mathematics department, and Dr. Alice Shafer, also of the mathematics department, will attend a series of lectures on April 7 and 8 at Brown university in Providence, Rhode Island. Five lectures, all on different topics concerning Exterior Ballistics, the study of the path of a shell after it leaves the gun, will be delivered by Professor Garret Birkhoff of Harvard university and Lieutenant A. E. Pitcher, formerly of Lehigh university, now at the Aberdeen proving ground. An introductory lecture was given by Professor Philip Franklin of Massachusetts Institute of Technology on Friday, March 19.

### Personnel Bureau Announces Various Job Opportunities

The Personnel Bureau has announced several opportunities for positions in varied fields.

An excellent one-year apprentice training course for college graduates is offered by the Shady Hill School in Cambridge, Massachusetts. The work includes seminars in education and practical work in classroom procedure and teaching materials. It is a coeducational day school from nursery level through junior high, 325 pupils. Departmental work includes history, English, mathematics, science, languages, art, and music. The fee for the year is \$150.

### Radio and Communications

Harvard university is doing research in the general field of radio and communications. They are ready to hire trainees, women who wish to train for some of the less technical work of radio technicians at 50 cents an hour plus overtime while training, 75 cents plus overtime after two or three months. Laboratories are in Cambridge.

### Assistant Social Worker

The Personnel department of the State of Connecticut has scheduled an examination for Assistant Social Worker, \$1,320 to \$1,500. Performs limited and carefully supervised case work in connection with such social service as public assistance, child welfare or welfare of mental defectives.

### Russian War Relief Receives Clothes From War Services Committee

The War Services committee has received a receipt from the knitting division of the Russian War Relief, Inc. for the knitted articles which were made by college students and staff members and sent from the college a short time ago. One helmet, three pairs of mittens, one sweater, seven pairs of socks and three pairs of wristlets were sent. Other garments are being knitted now and it is hoped that they will be finished soon and that they can be sent also.

Not to avenge one's self upon one's enemies, is the command of almighty wisdom; and we take this to be a safer guide than the promptings of human nature.—Mary Baker Eddy.

### GYMANGLES

Well, the weatherman has us under his thumb. Spring vacation was early this year, so winter sports have ceased. Spring sports can't begin because old man winter won't take his furlough, and the tennis courts won't dry. In the interim, the basketballs, badminton racquets, and leotards have been put away, and a course in body mechanics is under way. The general idea seems to be that you learn to properly change from one "static" posture to another; sounds rather jumpy to me. In any case, all classes except the military drillers are learning to sit, to stand, to walk, run, and even fall properly. (We expect to be flying before the end of the week!)

The military drill class—pardon me, the college battalion—is preparing for a review to be held on Friday afternoon, April 9. Don't be excited on Thursday when you hear music—the famous Coast Guard band is only coming up to help the young females prepare for the official event the next afternoon. Want a preview?

Have you been wondering what the dance group has been doing since their recital the other night? Your reporter did a little snooping and found they were recording their numbers. It seems that the dances are easily forgotten, so a great deal of effort is being put into recording the movements for next year's dance group, and perhaps for posterity.

The college has more tennis fans. The group taking tennis this year is larger than in many years previous, and archery, riding, golf, softball, and hockey are still on the list. Even the languid person will feel out of place just loafing with a program like this, so come on spring—we are through with old man winter.

### Gas

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passage. This procedure should be followed immediately by a thorough soap and water shower and shampoo.

It was pointed out that the safest area in most of Connecticut college buildings is the second floor, so rules for conduct in the presence of poison gas need not

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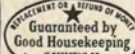


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cause any change in regular air raid procedure. Where the safest place is on the first floor, and hand rattle or dishpan signal for poison gas is given, people should go upstairs.

### Dr. Dilley to Serve on New London Committee

Authorization by the national board of directors of Russian War Relief of a New London, Conn., committee, with Mrs. A. L. Kaufman of 16 Jerome Road, as committee chairman, was announced by Edward C. Carter, president of Russian War Relief.

Other officers of the new committee include Dr. Marjorie Dilley, chairman of the War Activities committee of Connecticut college, as vice-chairman, and Ralph Matson of the New London Savings Bank, as treasurer.

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## Pres. Blunt to Install New Officers April 13

The installation of the new student government officers will be made by President Blunt in a special chapel in the auditorium on Tuesday, April 13. The new officers will take an oath of office and the new president will be presented with the key to the student government files.

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## Reverend Mitchell Speaks at Vespers On the Loyalties

Reverend James A. Mitchell of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Englewood, New Jersey, was the speaker at Vespers on Sunday, April 4. His text was from St. John, "Lord, to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life." From this he developed his topic of loyalty as one of the greatest of human virtues. Jesus chose his disciples with the belief that through their loyalty to Him His teachings and His spirit would live on. Peter, Christ's renouncer, who was basically loyal, was the man who said, "Lord, to whom shall we go?"

From this introduction concerning the loyalty of Christ's time, Mr. Mitchell turned his thought to modern men and their conception of loyalty. He said that there are three basic loyalties. First, loyalty to one's family. This is a primitive loyalty. Our families are bone of our bone and flesh of our flesh, and our devotion to them is instinctive and unreasoned. Second, loyalty to one's country. Our tie to the soil is a fierce, natural love. This is an emotional love that cannot be explained, and because it is wordless it is the more real and deep. To illustrate his point here, Mr. Mitchell quoted Sir Walter Scott's well-known poem, "Breathes there a man with soul so dead, Who never to himself hath said, 'This is my own, my native land—'". Third, loyalty to religion. This is the hardest loyalty to see and to live, because it is not as obvious or dramatic as are the ties to blood and soil; but in our truest moments we know this to be our deepest loyalty. It embraces all the other loyalties, and only through religion is there life.

Dr. Mitchell then proceeded to a discussion of the consequences when loyalties clash. There are misunderstandings and wars. It is when one of the loyalties disproportionately outbalances the others that situations such as we are faced with today are created.

Love of God means that the ties of humanity are stronger than any racial tie. Unless we think of men as the individuals that they are and not as members of one race or another we are being disloyal to God. As God looks down on the many millions of us on earth, he must think our petty wars and international competitions terribly insignificant. Loyalty to God exceeds all these things and ties us up with God's fundamental purpose—a rich and meaningful life. This is naturally a very difficult loyalty to achieve. It is only when life trembles in the balance or when we have sinned that we know that God is with all and in all. "Thou and thou alone hast the words of eternal life."



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## Dr. Quimby To Be Guest Performer

Dr. Arthur Quimby, head of the music department, has made plans for a three-day visit to Cleveland on April 17. The primary reason for his trip is to play the organ part for a performance of Bach's Saint Matthew Passion, which will be held in Severance Hall in Cleveland on Monday, April 19.

Dr. Quimby has also been asked to play the organ for the Sunday morning service at the First Unitarian church on April 18. He will also give a recital that afternoon at the Cleveland Museum of Art. Sunday afternoon recitals were part of his duties when he was at the Museum.

Dr. Quimby's former students at Western Reserve have asked him to play for a morning service at their chapel, which is also named Harkness chapel. In addition, he will speak to the Cleveland Connecticut College alumnae.

In spite of this exhausting schedule, Mr. Quimby plans to visit his friends among the faculty and students during his time there.

## Eleven People Certified For Advanced First Aid

The advanced first aid course started February 8 and finished on March 15. The necessary ten hours were completed in five two-hour periods.

One librarian, one chemistry assistant, and nine students will be awarded the advanced first aid certificate of the American Red Cross. They are: Miss Mary Estabrook, librarian, Miss Charlotte Gilbert, assistant in chemistry, Evelyn Isler '46, Marjorie Lawrence '45, Caryl Maesel '45, Elizabeth Middleton '43, Margaret Nichols '45, Barbara Pilling '44, Barbara Swift '45, Katherine Wenk '45, and Mary Wood '43.

## Dr. Minar Recuperating From a Recent Illness

Dr. Edwin LeRoy Minar, assistant professor of classics, who recently underwent an operation in New York, is now recovering from his illness at his home in New London. Dr. Minar will resume his classes next fall.

## Servicemen

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name is often used and is just as correct.

In addressing envelopes, on the line where rank and name are used, add his branch of the service or special division to facilitate delivery and also as a courtesy: U.S.N.R., M.C. (medical corps), A.U.S. (army of the United States), etc.

Just a few "Emily Posts" in conclusion! It is considered unmilitary for an officer to carry an umbrella, package, (or to push a

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## Caught On Campus

Once more after a vacation, we stop making those gruelling efforts to be funny, and instead, we give you the latest matrimonial news.

Among the seniors, spring has brought rings to Marian Reich '43 from John Wilson IV, a chemical engineer, to Jean Gebhard '43 from Corporal George Hussey, and to Virginia Railsback '43 from Lt. (j.g.) George F. Neily, Jr.

We have several more engagements to report from the class of '43. Lois Creighton has announced her engagement to Lt. Seth Abbott of the U.S. Army Air Corps. Jessie Mitchell has announced her engagement to Cadet Keith Low, U.S.C.G. Academy of the class of '44. Margery Claverie has announced her engagement to George Barnes. Audrey Bakken has announced her engagement to Lt. Paul Beetz, U.S.A. Virginia King has announced her engagement to Almon Girard Stevens.

In the class of '44, Priscilla (Purr) Martin has announced her engagement to Ensign George Laubenstein, U.S.N.R.

Betty Trimble '45 has announced her engagement to Army Air Corps Cadet Dorland Crossman.

Elizabeth Ruwitch '45 has announced her engagement to Lt. (j.g.) Murray Waxman of Detroit, of the Naval Air Corps.

The Connecticut college choir hasn't announced its engagement but it is about to present a surprise to the student body soon. Watch for announcement of this surprise. While waiting, keep singing.

Bobbie Wadhams '44 is knocking herself and friends out with the recently heard definition of an O.P.A. sandwich: two slices of bread with a ration-book coupon between.

Mrs. Woodhouse, trying to prove that Connecticut girls know their American history, read parts of the questionnaire recently published in the Times to her management class. When an identification of Jesse Jones was demanded, Cherie Noble '44 brightened proudly and burst out with, "Oh, you mean that famous bandit!"

Memo to the junior class: Koine pictures will be taken soon. Keep it in mind when planning the budget.

A British naval officer, after dining at Mary Harkness and enjoying the dubious pleasure of sitting in on a house meeting, decided he wanted to see the News office. The staff was glad to enlighten him as to tricks of the trade and C.C. life in general. Casual mention of the fact that men guests are allowed to attend classes was the last straw, and his only comment was, "Amazing social life you have here!"

### SIG Holds Discussion With New London Group

The Student Industrial group held a joint meeting with the Colored Men's Progressive club of New London on April 7 at 7:30 p.m. in the commuters' room. The subject of the meeting was Negro Representation in Government. Lucretia Lincoln '44 and Elizabeth Trimble '45 were the Connecticut college speakers for the evening. Two representatives from the New London organization also participated in the program.

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